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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: NATO, AWACS
SUBJECT: DPC PERMREPS CONSIDERATION OF NATO AWACS PACKAGE ON
MARCH 22, 1978

REF: STATE 70746

REFTEL (DTG 190301Z MAR 78) RECEIVED HERE MARCH 22 AT 1130 HOURS
(REACHING ACTION OFFICER AT 1400 HOURS). OBVIOUSLY THIS EMBASSY
CANNOT MAKE THE POINTS IT CONTAINS TO MOD RUFFINI OR ANY OTHER
HIGH-RANKING MOD OFFICIAL IN TIME TO AFFECT ITALIAN ATTITUDE AT
THE DPC PERMREP MEETING WHICH IS PRESUMABLY ALREADY IN PROCESS.
IN ANY EVENT, WE DOUBT THAT ELEVENTH HOUR PRESENTATIONS OF THIS
KIND CAN HAVE MUCH EFFECT UPON THE ITALIAN POSITION. WE EXPECT
THAT THE GOI CAN ACCEPT AN AWACS PROPOSAL THAT DOES NOT UNEQUIVO-
CALLY COMMIT ITALY TO FUTURE FUNDING. THE CONDITIONS OF THE
AWACS PROPOSAL AS DESCRIBED IN THE TALKING POINTS CONTAINED IN
THE REFTEL SHOULD AT LEAST MEET ITALIAN RESERVATIONS ON THE
FINANCING OF THE PROGRAM. BUT THERE REMAINS SOME RESISTANCE
WITHIN THE ITALIAN AIR FORCE THAT A DIRECT APPEAL TO
MOD RUFFINI COULD (AND LIKELY WOULD, GIVEN HIS PERSONAL
SUPPORT FOR AWACS) OVERCOME. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
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